

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: **Childress et al.** § Confirmation No.: **7113**
Serial No.: **10/809,585** § Group Art Unit: **2615**
Filed: **March 25, 2004** § Examiner: **Paul, Disler**
For: **Method and Apparatus for Volume
Reduction in a Vehicle** § Attorney Docket No.: **AUS920040120US1**

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Prior to continued examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.